

# Owatonna Youth Hockey Association

## Monthly Meeting Agenda

Sunday, November 16, 2025 7 p.m.

**Four Seasons**, Owatonna, MN 55060

Board of Directors (X= present and E= excused, A=absent, unexcused)

President – Steve Rick	X	Mikel Akers	X	Nick Lewis	E
1st Vice President – Eric Standke	X	Jen Culligan	E	Brandon Lubich	X
2nd Vice President – Ricky Magana	X	Nick Flatgard	E	Scott Mohs	E
Secretary – Andy Winkels	X	Chad Hacker	X	Alex Peterson	X
Treasurer – Chris Teeters	X	Cassie Johnson	X	Colleen Rehman	E
Non-Board Member - Admin. Director - Mary Kelvie			X		

1. Call to Order- Meeting - Steve Rick called the meeting to order at 7:01pm.
2. Roll Call-
3. Guests- N/A
4. Review and Approve current agenda. Motion was made by Brandon L which was seconded by Chris T to approve the agenda. Motion carried.
5. Review and Approve October meeting minutes. Motion was made by Mikel A. which was seconded by Ricky M. to approve the October meeting minutes. Motion carried.
6. Financial Report - We hadn't budgeted for fall camp which is why that line item was higher. Equipment is higher because it took too long for the Court Sports invoices to come through last year and they were more timely this year. Expenses for Concessions are up because we had to replace the microwave and the cheese heater. We may need to explore looking at concession prices as they haven't been touched in three years. Motion was made by Ricky M. which was seconded by Eric S. to approve the financial report. Motion carried.
7. Gambling Report - Approve October expenses and preapprove December. We will complete this via email in the future.

### **8. Old Business**

Sponsor Update. Alex gave the sponsor report. We are down from revenue last year but we also haven't collected as quickly as we did last year. We did recently pick up a dasher sponsorship. We have collected about 75% of sponsorship revenue so far. Federated Insurance did reach out about doing

the jersey sponsorship again—which would be a three year commitment. OMC is sponsoring mini-mites. The first tournament sponsor is Pizza Ranch. They will have a QR code that refers to them. Alex is exploring getting a concession sponsor.

Tournament workers. Most of our tournaments have been filled. Our biggest need is the U10-U12 tournament next weekend.

Ideas to increase numbers of players. Alex presented some ideas. He had previously completed an analysis on OYHA registration and growth. He compared some winter activity options available in the community. Proposed doing more “Let’s Try Hockey” events through the year. Proposed partnering with OMC to work with mini-mites. Discussed challenges with the current Learn to Skate program. We talked about floor hockey or other options to get kids interested in hockey when they are younger.

### **9. New Business:**

Mite Program. Steve shared a report. Last season, Mites did a number of jamborees. This season, Mites want to do more. This was discussed during the executive meeting. When we took over Mini-Mites and Mites from Park & Rec, we hadn’t set expectations. Moving forward, we need to get a plan in place so that there are clear boundaries regarding the number of ice sessions, number of jamborees, etc. Ricky mentioned that there are already 5 jamborees for Mites and it’s a lot already. Mites seem to be adding and scheduling without discussing with the Board. Chad has spoken with Nick and Sean about the Mite program. Cassie mentioned that she has heard from other Mite parents that they are frustrated with the time commitment already. We discussed cutting the New Ulm Mite tournament, which is in February '26. Cassie is also concerned about keeping the girls together. We will look to get a meeting scheduled to meet with Mite representatives to discuss program expectations.

Hockey Director Report. Chad provided an update. We do not have written into our policy any ramifications of not complying with uniform guidelines and expectations. One Bantam went to High School. Chad mentioned doing an end-of-year survey.

Mikel made a motion which was seconded by Brandon to apply a rule that starting December 1, 2025, no games can be played unless full OYHA uniforms are worn pursuant to our guidelines and player code of ethics. Motion carried.

Admin Director Report.

Rink Buddies - They had their first rink buddy event and it was fun.

Microwave concessions. The new microwave is in and has been programmed.

Monitors - Concessions / LiveBarn. LiveBarn has been approved by the County Attorney but we are at the bottom of the list for the LiveBarn folks to install the cameras. They may be installed this week.

10. Adjournment: Motion made by Mikel A which was seconded by Ricky M. to adjourn the meeting. Motion carried.

11: Next Board Meeting - **Dec 15, 7 p.m. Four Seasons**